CHAPTER 31

WEAPONS PERMITS S.F. 59

AN ACT relating to prohibiting fire fighters and certain emergency medical services personnel from being required to obtain a professional permit to carry weapons as a condition of employment.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Section 1. Section 724.6, Code 1993, is amended to read as follows: 724.6 PROFESSIONAL PERMIT TO CARRY WEAPONS.

- 1. A person may be issued a permit to carry weapons when the person's employment in a private investigation business or private security business licensed under chapter 80A, or a person's employment as a peace officer, correctional officer, security guard, bank messenger or other person transporting property of a value requiring security, or in police work, reasonably justifies that person going armed. The permit shall be on a form prescribed and published by the commissioner of public safety, shall identify the holder, and shall state the nature of the employment requiring the holder to go armed. A permit so issued, other than to a peace officer, shall authorize the person to whom it is issued to go armed anywhere in the state, only while engaged in the employment, and while going to and from the place of the employment. A permit issued to a certified peace officer shall authorize that peace officer to go armed anywhere in the state at all times. Permits shall expire twelve months after the date when issued except that permits issued to peace officers and correctional officers are valid through the officer's period of employment unless otherwise canceled. When the employment is terminated, the holder of the permit shall surrender it to the issuing officer for cancellation.
- 2. Notwithstanding subsection 1, fire fighters, as defined in section 411.1, subsection 9, airport fire fighters included under section 97B.49, subsection 16, paragraph "d", subparagraph (4), emergency medical technicians-ambulance and emergency rescue technicians, as defined in section 147.1, and advanced emergency medical care providers, as defined in section 147A.1, shall not, as a condition of employment, be required to obtain a permit under this section. However, the provisions of this subsection shall not apply to a person designated as an arson investigator by the chief fire officer of a political subdivision.

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CHAPTER 32

EMPLOYMENT OF SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS H.F. 104

AN ACT relating to the employment of administrators by school districts and area education agencies.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

Section 1. Section 279.21, Code 1993, is amended by adding the following new unnumbered paragraph:

NEW UNNUMBERED PARAGRAPH. For purposes of this section and sections 279.23, 279.23A, 279.24, and 279.25, the term "principal" includes school principals, associate principals, and assistant principals.